## **One Hundred Fourth Legislature - Second Session - 2016**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

## LB909

**Chairperson: Senator Jerry Johnson** 

**Committee: Agriculture** 

Date of Hearing: January 26, 2016

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB909 updates several statutes assigned to the Department of Agriculture. The same changes have previously been made to other statutes assigned to the Department, and thus this bill is to make the various statutes consistent.

There are two types of changes. The first is to no longer require individuals applying for a permit, license, certificate, etc. from the Department of Agriculture to include his or her social security number on the application. Requiring a social security number causes potential identity theft, places additional burdens in processing the applications, and the Department does not use nor need this number.

The second change clarifies that additional late fees imposed on a person, who does not pay the fees for a permit, inspection, excise taxes, etc. on a timely basis, is to pay for the additional costs of the Department in collecting the fees not paid timely. No new fee is imposed by this bill. It is only expressly clarifying the purpose of the additional fees.

Principal Introducer: \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Mark Kolterman